

REMARKS

Claims 1 - 24 are in this application and are presented for consideration. Claims 1, 3, 6 - 10, 17 and 24 have been amended, and claims 28 - 34 have been canceled.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for discussing this application by telephone and for providing suggestions. Many of those suggestions have been incorporated into the claims. Applicant also thanks the Examiner for indicating that this application included allowable subject matter. It is Applicant's position that this application is in conformance with U.S. patent regulations. Applicant respectfully requests that this application be passed to issuance.

If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions which would further favorable prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative by telephone to discuss possible changes.

Favorable action on the merits of this application is respectfully requested.

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